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RE: DOCKET 98N-1265

To The FDA:

I send this letter as a consumer of health care services to register my concern and disapproval of the Memorandum of Understanding as published by the FDA on January 21, 1999.

In its present form, the MOU, as well as the Compounding Section 503A of the Modernization Act, severely restricts the rights of the physicians and patients to obtain healthcare products from the provider of their choice. It also infringes on the rights of the compounding pharmacists to serve the publics medical needs. As a healthcare consumer there should be no restrictions to the deliver of compounded medication prescribed for me, regardless of where I live or travel. The MOU must be amended!!!

The FDA is an agency of the U.S. Government that purports to be the "watchdog" for consumer safety. THIS IS NOT A SAFETY ISSUE!! As a governmental agency the FDA also has a responsibility to be accountable to the people. Once again, the MOU must be amended!!

Because I use compounded medication, I will be affected by this act. After 8 years of using the wrong medication, I have finally found something to work and now this will set me back. Please amend. Thank you.

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